

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, line 15 with the following paragraph.

~~Figure 25 depicts~~ Figures 25A-25O depict restoration of certain parameters in the ischemic limb by VEGF-2 protein (~~FIG. 25, top panels~~)(FIGS. 25A, 25D, 25E, 25J, and 25M) and naked expression plasmid (~~FIG. 25, middle panels~~)(FIGS. 25B, 25F, 25G, 25K, and 25N); BP ratio (~~FIG. 25a~~)(Figures 25A-25C); Blood Flow and Flow Reserve (~~FIG. 25b~~)(FIGS. 25D-25I); Angiographic Score (~~FIG. 25e~~)(FIGS. 25J-25L); Capillary density (~~FIG. 25d~~)(FIGS. 25M-25O).

Please replace the paragraph heading at page 116, line 15 with the following paragraph heading.

a. BP ration (~~FIG. 25a~~)(FIGS. 25A-C)

Please replace the paragraph heading at page 116, line 18 with the following paragraph heading.

b. Blood Flow and Flow Reserve (~~FIG. 25b~~)(FIGS. 25D-I)

Please replace the paragraph heading at page 116, line 23 with the following paragraph heading.

c. Angiographic Score (~~FIG. 25e~~)(FIGS. 25J-L)

Please replace the paragraph heading at page 117, line 1 with the following paragraph heading.

d. Capillary density (~~FIG. 25d~~)(FIGS. 25M-O)